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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1723**

**PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 7552.0023

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Jacques Duchamp et al.

Application No.: 10/771,536

Filed: February 5, 2004

For: A SUPPORT ELEMENT FOR AN  
INTEGRATED MODULE FOR  
BLOOD TREATMENT, AN  
INTEGRATED MODULE FOR  
BLOOD TREATMENT, AND A  
MANUFACTURING PROCESS  
FOR AN INTEGRATED MODULE  
FOR BLOOD TREATMENT

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed September 26, 2006, the period for response extending to December 26, 2006, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116,

Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this Amendment.

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